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For: TREATMENT OF CRYSTALS IN ORDER TO  
AVOID LIGHT-INDUCED MODIFICATIONS  
OF THE REFRACTION INDEX

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**RESPONSE**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2008.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

An Appendix containing a copy of the Substitute Specification attached after page 4 of this paper.